

## OIL TRUST HAD A HAND IN FIXING RATES? NEVER!

Exerted No Influence, Central Freight Traffic Man Testifies.

### HIS ROAD CONVICTED.

Admits Independents Didn't Get Benefit of Their Secret Schedule.

William S. Kallman, assistant freight traffic manager of New York Central lines east of Buffalo, was called as a witness to-day in the Government's investigation of the Standard Oil Company by the defendant to tell how the railroads had labored for two years to perfect a uniform tariff from the oil regions to freight terminals.

"Two years ago the rates were in such confusion that I made an investigation of rate-making and reported the necessity of general classification. Rates were incongruous and inconsistent. Since the Hepburn act, the railroads have sought to systematize all rates," said Mr. Kallman.

"Did Standard Oil have anything to do with this incongruity of rates?" was asked.

"Emphatically not. I've been making tariffs for twenty years and I never knew the Standard Oil's influence in fixing tariffs."

Mr. Kallman stated that the railroad's activity in making a harmonious adjustment of rates was not instigated by the Bureau of Corporations' investigation in 1906 of alleged secret and preferential rates in favor of the Standard Oil. He added that Samuel Goodman, George E. Gerry and Nathan Guilford, officials prominent in the rate reformation, are all dead.

### How Roads Are Acquired.

"If there was a reason for the general rate systematizing at this time other than the growth of natural causes only those men knew of it and they are dead," said Mr. Kallman, reverently.

An interesting sidelight on the methods adopted by "great trunk lines" in acquiring desirable railroad property developed during Mr. Kallman's testimony. When the New York Central east of Buffalo was acquired, the Waterbury and Ogdensburg Railroad early in the '90's the line was struggling along under a heavy debt. Gradually competition from the Central and controlled lines reduced the earnings so that when the Central sought to close the line little opposition was encountered.

The Central then took the R. W. and O. under lease, learned that it could be operated at a profit as an oil carrier from Buffalo to Vermont, and in four years absorbed the line entirely. Since Oct. 1, this year, the R. W. and O. Railroad is defunct. It is now known as the Ontario and St. Lawrence Division of the New York Central, and well paying its way. While there were shorter routes from the oil regions to Vermont, Mr. Kallman said his railroad took the longer route over the R. W. and O., which issued the secret tariffs now under Mr. Kellogg's probe.

### Not for Independents.

Under cross-examination Mr. Kallman admitted that the New York Central was under conviction in the Federal Courts for carrying oil at the 6-cent rate and failing to post and file such tariffs with the Interstate Commerce Commission. As far as he knew, he said, none of the independents had the benefits of the unpublished rate.

### CHINESE SEND WELCOME TO BATTLESHIP FLEET.

Viceroy and Governors Wire Cordial Messages to Rear-Admiral Emory.

SHANGHAI, Oct. 28.—Tuan Fang, the Viceroy of Nanking, as well as a number of other Viceroy and local governors, have sent cordial telegrams of welcome to Rear-Admiral Emory, the commander of the second division of the American battleship fleet. The Chinese press association of Shanghai also has sent a message of greeting.

Much importance is attached here to the coming of the American battleships.

### How a Little Cub Beat Teddy Bear Out



A Teddy Bear once leaped so high he scaled his father's back. So he, who quite the ablest bear on this athletic track. But lo, behold! Up comes a cub. Who, through a World Want Ad, Leaped into such a high place he Made boastful Teddy sad.

And to think that "Position-Getting" World "Situation Wanted" Ads. cost but 12 Words for a Quarter!

## PRIZE-WINNERS IN JERSEY CITY'S CHERUB PARADE

In Great Procession 768 Varieties Are Shown, All Worthy of Awards.

### ONLY ONE SET OF TWINS

Grand Mardi Gras Carnival and Masque Ball Follows the Exhibit.

Every one of Jersey City's 768 varieties of cherubs had a good time, even if they all didn't win prizes, and Jersey City is proud of them. Yesterday was a great day for both. The baby parade in Grand View Park that opened the Mardi Gras festival of the Merchants' Co-operative Association of Jersey City Heights was a stupor.

There were no triplets and only one pair of twins among the 768 contestants, but the babies were of all varieties and in all kinds of costumes and capable of making all kinds of noises. Camille and Emil Francois took the prize for twins. There were nine divisions in the parade.

Judges made the selections as the babies passed the reviewing stand, drawing from the line the winners. The grand prize went to George Martin Vradenbergh, after the winners of the first prizes in the different divisions had been selected as follows:

Emily Vlaud, dressed as a French doll surrounded with rosebuds; Timothy Scanlon, dressed as a swan; George Martin Vradenbergh, in a baby coach smothered in forget-me-nots; Marion Hamilton and Margaret Scanlon as Scotch lassies; John H. Miller as a Princeton College boy; Louis Hill as a hood carrier; Camille and Emil Francois, twins; Hazel Fuchs as Little Red Riding Hood; and Myrtle Sander as a Red Cross nurse on a war ambulance.

The baby show was followed in the evening by a procession such as Coney Island has, ending in a masquerade ball at Grand View Hall in honor of the King and Queen of the carnival, Thomas H. Carroll and Miss Minnie A. Gilliar.

There were 100 floats and 20,000 men, women and children in the night parade, which was seen by 200,000 persons and reviewed by Mayor Wittgen and former Mayors Hoos and Fagan.

### AUSTRIANS SEIZE CZAR'S MINISTER ON SERVIAN LINE

Police Give Sergueeff Rough Treatment and Ransack His Baggage.

BELGRADE, Serbia, Oct. 28.—M. Sergueeff, the Russian Minister to Serbia, is much irritated over an experience he had last night on the frontier between Serbia and Hungary. The Minister crossed the Danube to Semlin, directly opposite Belgrade, for the purpose of meeting his wife there.

When returning he was detained and roughly handled by the Austro-Hungarian police, who ransacked his baggage.

PARIS, Oct. 28.—It was learned here authoritatively to-day that the Bulgarian Government, in view of the cessation of military preparations on the part of Turkey and acting upon the advice of the powers, has decided to release to-morrow the 15,000 reservists who have been held to the colors. It is hoped that this measure will reduce the tension between Sofia and Constantinople.

SOFIA, Bulgaria, Oct. 28.—The declaration of Bulgaria to disband its reserves and make a financial compensation to Turkey was brought about by the presentation of what was practically an ultimatum by Great Britain, France and Russia, who were supported by Germany and Italy.

Identical notes from the first named three powers were presented to the Bulgarian Government. They demanded the disbandment of the Bulgarian reserves within three days and the promise to send delegates to Constantinople to negotiate the question of financial compensation for Turkey. It was made clear that on compliance with these demands depended all hope for the recognition of Bulgarian independence. In reply to these communications the Bulgarian Government signified its willingness to conform to the demands therein set forth.

### MRS. PHIL LYDIG'S HAT.

She Arrives From Europe With One as Big as a Table Top.

The Kron Prinz Wilhelm, of the North German Lloyd line, docked today after an uneventful voyage. Among her passengers was Mrs. Philip Lydig, who was met at the pier by her husband. She wore a magnificent coat of fur and a strange shaped hat as big round as a table top. Foster Palmer Jr. and Mrs. Palmer were also passengers. They have returned from a European honeymoon trip.

The Rev. Michael J. Sullivan, pastor of St. Raphael's Church, was met by his brother, who informed him of his father's death, which occurred while the Kron Prinz was at sea. Henry Miller, the actor, returned from a short vacation trip in Europe, and Jimmy Powers, the comedian, were also passengers.

## Some Pretty Youngsters in Jersey City's Baby Parade



### REGISTRY BOOK WITH MADIGAN'S NAME MUTILATED

Done to Save Policeman, Superintendent of Elections Leary Says.

It was discovered this morning that three pages had been torn from the registry book, containing the signatures of the voters who have registered at the polling place No. 302 Bleeker street. In the Sixth Election District of the Fifth Assembly District. According to Superintendent of Elections Leary this is a base attempt on the part of the system to shield Patrolman Madigan. Patrolman Thomas P. Madigan, of the Mercer street station, was arrested last night charged with illegal registration. It was charged that he had registered in the Twelfth Election District of the First Assembly District, from No. 12 Varick street, and that on the same day, Oct. 6, had registered from No. 302 Bleeker street, at which place the book has been torn.

When a police sergeant went to the registry place this morning he found that three pages had been torn from the book. One of the pages was that containing the names commencing with M, which, Supt. Leary says, had on it the signature of Patrolman Madigan. The place on Bleeker street is a window shade and hardware store. The proprietor there, according to Mr. Leary, says that he closed his store last night at 10 o'clock and opened this morning at 7. The registry book, containing the signatures of voters, is kept in the place all the time for public inspection, and is known as the "public copy." There are copies in charge of the police and election officials.

No one noticed that the book had been torn last night and the exact time of the work is not known. The book had not been looked at last night, and the absence of the pages would not have been noticed this morning had not the police sergeant gone in to look at the book. Although the police have made an investigation, they have been unable to find any trace of the missing pages.

This is an attempt to save this policeman, said Supt. Leary. "But it will not succeed. There are too many other safeguards." The mutilation or stealing of a registry book is a felony. Madigan was held in \$5,000 bail for examination Friday in Jefferson Market police Court this afternoon. He pleaded for a reduction in bail, saying his wife was dying and one of his children died only three weeks ago, but the Court held that he was entitled to no mercy.

Madigan sets up the defense that he was drunk on the day he registered illegally. He says he does not remember registering at all. Nevertheless, he was on police duty that day.

### STOCKS DECLINE IN BRISK MARKET

Union Pacific, Steel, Reading, Smelting and Copper Slow in Trading.

Small gains were the rule in the early stock market to-day, but a reaction later carried prices below last night's close. Union Pacific led in the trading, while Steel, Reading, Smelting and Copper were also in evidence.

The market got off in the final run and prices were at the lowest of the day at the close. Losses ranged from fractions to 10 points. The "A" stocks, Reading, St. Paul, Copper and Smelting were the chief losers. Trading was quiet.

The total sales of stocks were 335,100 shares, and of bonds \$3,234,000.

### NEW YORK TELEPHONE COMPANY

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What Telephone Users Can Do to Help the Service.

There are three parties to a telephone call—the person making the call, the Telephone Company and the person called. It is not sufficient that one, or two of the above parties do their work properly. The co-operation of all three is necessary.

Telephone users may help the Telephone service—

By consulting the telephone directory before making calls, thus obviating the many errors due to calling numbers from memory.

By speaking directly into the transmitter in a clear, distinct voice.

By separating the figures of the telephone number when making a call, for example—Rector 1234, Rector one-two-three-four.

By correcting the operator if she repeats the number called incorrectly.

By holding the telephone receiver to the ear until the called party answers, or some report is given from the Central Office.

By being ready to talk when the called party answers. As a matter of courtesy, the person making the telephone call should not oblige the called party to wait his convenience.

By answering telephone calls promptly. If there is unusual delay in answering the telephone, the operator may report "Don't answer" to the party calling.

## "SANDY HOOK" LIGHTSHIP WILL VANISH DEC. 1

New Vessel, No. 87, Will Bear "Ambrose Channel" on Sides.

### EIGHT MILES OF LAMPS.

Great Water Highway Will Be Marked Between Rows of Gas Buoys.

There will be no more "Sandy Hook Lightship" after Dec. 1. No. 51, which has lighted the entrance and exit of tens of thousands of vessels from New York harbor during the past sixteen years, will cast loose from her cables on that day and make way for the new \$115,000 lightship which has embazoned on her side:

"ST-AMBROSE CHANNEL—ST." Officially, therefore, the new vessel will be known as the Ambrose Channel Lightship, although it is very unlikely that seagoing folk will get out of the habit of employing the old name.

No. 51 has had a long and honorable career for a lightship. She has lived through a period of many and vast improvements in harbor lighting, seen the installation of wireless telegraphy and the submarine telephone, and witnessed the installation of the great new lights at Narvinsk and Atlantic Highlands.

Has Ridden Out Many Storms. There have been few big incidents in the career of No. 51, however, as incidents go in the lives of the fleet of vessels that light the harbors and danger spots along the Atlantic coast. No. 51 has ridden serenely through scores of hurricanes and northeast gales.

Her crew have performed many rescues of small vessels that foundered or were wrecked in storm and fog off the light, and she has served as the great pivotal mark in all the international yacht races of recent years.

But the lightship herself has never met disaster. Beaten by terrific gales, her cables have always held. The sturdy little vessel with her brick red sides is as staunch to-day in seam and bolt as she was on that day, in 1832, when she rode out to the harbor's mouth and there moored.

### Part of Great Improvement.

The installation of "St-Ambrose Channel—ST" is only one of the improvements of the harbor entrance provided for in the Omnibus Lighthouse Bill passed by Congress three years ago.

Among the provisions were: a light vessel for the sea entrance of Ambrose Channel, \$115,000; lightship on Staten Island and raising West Bank Light, \$100,000; two lanterns and structures for range on the bend, not to exceed \$125,000.

Two lightships are included in the service for New York Harbor, the Stevedore Lightship and the Sandy Hook Lightship, the former between Sandy Hook Lightship and the Hook itself. The Stevedore Lightship will remain at its present moorings, no provision having been made to replace it by a more modern vessel.

Eight-Mile Lane of Lights. The entire appropriation for the improvement of the Ambrose Channel called for an expenditure of \$300,000 and included, besides the new lightship, a lane of gas buoys eight miles long.

These deep-sea lampposts will form a broad pathway with red lights on one side and white lights on the other, the beacons of "St-Ambrose Channel—ST" blinding the moun of the trail that lets into the open sea.

The fog signals and lights on the new vessel are the same as those on No. 51, and No. 51's old crew will stay on. Before the first Sandy Hook lightship there was a wooden lightship with lamps of minor power, five miles off the entrance to Gedney Channel. That vessel was installed there in 1833.

The matter of naming the new Lightship has been discussed at great length by the Lighthouse Board. It was finally decided that the new name was necessary, because of the importance of the new deep waterway into the harbor. The new vessel will pierce at the Government wharf at Tompkinsville.

### SOLDIER, SLAYER OF FOUR, GOES TO PRISON FOR LIFE.

Court Takes View That the Crime of Private Beecham in Philippines Was Not Premeditated.

MANILA, Oct. 28.—Private Michael Beecham of the First Cavalry, who ran amuck at Camp Stotsenburg last May and killed four of his comrades, was sentenced to life imprisonment to-day by the trial court before which he appeared. The court took the view that the crime was unpremeditated and the result of a sudden fit of anger.

Under the Spanish law, therefore, it was held that the circumstances in the case did not warrant infliction of the death penalty.

### GOLD MEDAL FOR WRIGHTS FROM BRITISH AERO CLUB.

LONDON, Oct. 28.—The British Aero Club has awarded its gold medal to the Wright brothers, the aeroplanists of Dayton, O., for their remarkable achievements.

### SERVICE BOARD CUTS FARE.

ALBANY, Oct. 28.—The Schenectady Railway Company was to-day ordered by the Public Service Commission in the Second District to reduce its rate of fare from ten to five cents on its inter-urban line between Albany and Moravia avenue, town of Colonie.

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